

NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY FORT GEORGE G. MEADE, MARYLAND 20755-6000

FOIA Case: 104134 11 January 2019

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Dear Ms. Best:

This responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of 25 April 2018, which was received by this office on 25 April 2018, for "Copies of all unclassified e-Chirps, preferably in an electronic format." Your request has been assigned Case Number 104134. There are no assessible fees for this request.

On 4 May 2018, we sent you a letter explaining that your request was overly broad, unreasonably burdensome, and not specific enough to allow a reasonable search. We informed you that a search effort would significantly impede NSA activities. We recommended that you narrow your search by a specific topic and by limiting the scope to a specific timeframe. In your response of 12 May 2018, which we received on 14 May 2018, you declined to narrow your request or in any way limit the scope of the request. Thus, we have determined that your request is not a valid FOIA request. We are closing this case. Additionally, any future requests made by you concerning this topic unless significantly different (specific and narrowed in such a way as to not be overly broad and burdensome) will be filed with this FOIA request with no further action by this Agency.

You may appeal this decision. If you decide to appeal, you should do so in the manner outlined below. NSA will endeavor to respond within 20 working days of receiving any appeal, absent any unusual circumstances.

 The appeal must be sent via U.S. postal mail, fax, or electronic delivery (e-mail) and addressed to:

> NSA FOIA/PA Appeal Authority (P132) National Security Agency

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The facsimile number is 443-479-3612. The appropriate email address to submit an appeal is FOIARSC@nsa.gov.

- It must be postmarked or delivered electronically no later than 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. Decisions appealed after 90 days will not be addressed.
- Please include the case number provided above.
- Please describe with sufficient detail why you believe the denial of requested information was unwarranted.

You may also contact our FOIA Public Liaison at foialo@nsa.gov for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows:

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Sincerely,

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